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SUBJECT: REPORTED NORTH KOREAN COMMENTS TO JAPANESE VISITORS ON YUGOSLAV TRIPARTITE PROPOSAL

1. ACCORDING TO MAY 15 YOMIURI REPORT FROM CORRESPONDENT ACCOMPANYING JSP CHAIRMAN ASUKATA IN PYONGYANG, KOREAN WORKERS PARTY INTERNATIONAL BUREAU CHIEF KIM YONG NAM EXPLICITLY REJECTED CONCEPT OF US-ROK-DPRK TRIPARTITE TALKS. KIM REPORTEDLY TOLD JAPANESE VISITORS DURING MAY 14 VISIT TO PANMUNJOM THAT DPRK FOUND TRIPARTITE PROPOSAL UNACCEPTABLE. HE SUGGESTED THAT MOTIVES OF EAST EUROPEAN LEADERS TITO AND CEAUSESCU IN ACTING AS APPARENT GO-BETWEENS IN SUPPORT OF TRIPARTITE PROPOSAL WERE ACTUALLY TO FACILITATE DIRECT BILATERAL CONTACTS BETWEEN
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PYONGYANG AND WASHINGTON. KIM CRITICIZED U.S. FOR USING TRIPARTITE FORMULA AS COVER FOR ITS OWN FAILURE TO RESPOND TO EARLIER NORTH KOREAN PROPOSALS FOR BILATERAL NEGOTIATION OF PEACE AGREEMENT.

2. ALTHOUGH KIM APPARENTLY QUALIFIED HIS COMMENTS AS PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS, YOMIURI READ HIS REMARKS AS

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AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT OF DPRK POLICY AND MOST EXPLICIT
NORTH KOREAN REJECTION OF TRIPARTITE PROPOSAL TO DATE.
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